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1. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN HARE DRAWS ATTENTION TO PROPOSAL ISSUED 4 DAYS EARLIER BY LONG BORET, CALLING IT "A SIGNIFICANT DECLARATION WHICH SETS FORTH A MAJOR INITIATIVE FOR PEACE IN CAMBODIA". PROPOSAL CALLS FOR REVIVING ICC AND OFFERS TO NAME DELEGATION TO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF "THE OTHER SIDE" WITH A VIEW TO NEGOTIATING AN EARLY CEASE-FIRE AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. HARE SAID US BELIEVES "RESTORATION OF PEACE IN CAMBODIA IS A QUESTION TO BE RESOLVED AMONG THE KHMER PARTIES THEMSELVES", AND URGED PRC, USSR, AND OTHER INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS TO GIVE THE OFFER THEIR "SERIOUS AND FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION." HE ALSO DISCLOSED THAT CAMBODIA HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BY PRESIDENT, KISSINGER, AND HUANG CHEN (NYT, CHITRIB).

2. IN TAM TELLS SCHANBERG (NYT) THAT GKR NOT INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH ANYONE; BIG POWERS DOING WHATEVER NEGOTIATING THERE IS, WITH US NEITHER CONSULTING NOR INFORMING HIM. IN TAM EXPRESSED DEEP PESSIMISM ABOUT ANY MEANINGFUL TALKS AT THIS TIME. HIS TONE AND MANNER THROUGHOUT INTERVIEW ONE OF DEEP ANNOYANCE AND UNHAPPINESS, NOT ONLY OVER US NEGOTIATING ROLE, BUT ALSO AUG. 5 BOMBING CUT-OFF. DISCUSSING THE LONG BORET STATEMENT, IN TAM SAID OFFER TO NEGOTIATE WAS SIMPLY "ATTEMPT TO SHOW GOOD FAITH", ADDING THERE WERE KI FACTIONS AND THAT HE WOULD ONLY NEGOTIATE WHEN ALL OPPOSITION FACTIONS PUT FORWARD ONE REPRESENTATIVE. THUS IF SIHANOUK REPRESENTS ONLY ONE FACTION, IN TAM WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH HIM SINCE OTHER TWO FACTIONS WILL STILL BE FIGHTING AND THAT IS NOT PEACE". SIHANOUK'S STATEMENTS UNCLASSIFIED

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THAT HE WOULD NEVER NEGOTIATE WITH PRESENT GKR ALSO CAUSE FOR PESSIMISM.

3. KEAT (SUN) QUOTES SENIOR US OFFICIALS AS SAYING US WANTS CEASE-FIRE IN CAMBODIA AND GRACEFUL EXIT, AND WILL ABANDON LON NOL REGIME IF THAT IS THE PRICE, ALTHOUGH US WOULD PREFER COALITION BETWEEN ELEMENTS OF PRESENT REGIME AND KI, INCLUDING SIHANOUK. ALTHOUGH US HAD REFUSED TO DEAL WITH SIHANOUK, WE ARE NOW WILLING TO SEE HIM RETURN AS HEAD IN TITLE, IF NOT IN FACT, OF REBEL REGIME. CHANGE IN US ATTITUDE DUE TO AUGUST5 MANDATE. ADMINISTRATION BELIEVES GKR WOULD CRUMBLE IN WEEKS WITHOUT US AIR STRIKES. US OFFICIALS FAR

FROM CONFIDENT THAT KI AT ALL PREPARED TO COMPROMISE;
SIHANOUK STILL PLEDGED TO HANG SIRIK MATAK.
SOME OFFICIALS BELIEVE SIHANOUK, DESPITE PUBLIC
REFUSAL TO MEET WITH US, STILL WOULD ACCOMMODATE WASH.'S
WISHES UP TO A POINT TO PRESERVE HIS INDEPENDENCE FROM
NVN. AND SINCE ADMINISTRATION HAS MADE CLEAR
A CEASE-FIRE IN CAMBODIA IS PART OF THE PRICE
HANOI WOULD HAVE TO PAY FOR FUTURE ECONOMIC AID,
NVN MIGHT HAVE TO ACQUIESCE. ANOTHER FACTOR
BOLSTERING HOPES FOR AN ACCEPTABLE ARRANGEMENT
WITH SIHANOUK IS PARALLEL INTERESTS IN CAMBODIA
OF US, USSR, AND PRC. WHILE NOT WILLING TO ASSUME
TOO LARGE A PUBLIC ROLE IN ARRANGING CEASE-FIRE,
BOTH COMMUNIST POWERS WOULD PREFER CAMBODIAN
REGIME FREE OF NVN DOMINATION.

4. MARDER (WP) REPORTS US SEEKING WAYS OF SAVING
LON NOL AFTER AUG 15. SCHLESINGER SENDING GEN.
WEYAND TO INDOCHINA TO ASSESS THE SITUATION.
STATE DEPT. SOLICITED WORLD ATTENTION TO LONG
BORET PROPOSAL IN REMARKS PARTICULARLY AIMED
AT PRC, USSR, AND NVN. ADMINISTRATION IS ATTEMPTING
TO USE THE LURE OF POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION AID
FOR NVN AS AN INDUCEMENT TO HANOI TO USE ITS
CONSIDERABLE LEVERAGE WITH KI TO NEGOTIATE CEASE-
FIRE. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS AGREE THERE IS
NO CHANCE OF CONGRESS VOTING ANY POSTWAR AID
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FOR NVN WHILE FIGHTING CONTINUES IN CAMBODIA.

5. RICH (WP) REPORTS PRESIDENT WOULD FACE VIRTUALLY
CERTAIN DEFEAT IN SENATE IF HE ASKED CONGRESS
TO LET HIM CONTINUE BOMBING AFTER AUG. ;5, ACCORDING
TO REMARKS BY SENATORS RETURNING FROM BOONDOCK
VISITS; EXTENSION WOULD REQUIRE COMPELLING REASONS,
AND ONE GOP VOTECOUNTER SAYS "CAMBODIA'S GOING
TO GO COMMUNIST" WOULD NOT BE ENOUGH.

6. IN RELATED INTERVIEW, MANSFIELD SAID HE DID
NOT BELIEVE SENATE WOULD AGREE TO AN EXTENSION
"UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES" (NYDN).

7. LARGE CONVOY REACHES PP OVER ROUTE 5 FROM BATTAMBANG.
RIVER CONVOY UP MEKONG RAN INTO HEAVY RESISTANCE,
ONE OIL-TANKER SET AFIRE. US PLANES FLYING AIR
COVER REPORTED RUNNING INTO AA. HEAVY GROUND ATTACKS
ALSO REPORTED NORTH AND SOUTH OF PP (NYT, WP, NYDN,
SUN).

8. VC ACKNOWLEDGED MONDAY THAT THEY WERE HOLDING TWO
MISSING CANDEL OFFICERS AND BOTH ALIVE AND WELL. PRG

PRESS OFFICER DID NOT SAY WHEN THEY WOULD BE RELEASED, SAID HE WAS UNCERTAIN EXACTLY WHERE THEY WERE BEING HELD. PRG SAYS "BECAUSE THEY M RECEIVED NO ADVANCE NOTIFICATION FROM THEIR SUPERIORS, THE LOCAL ADMINISTRATION THOUGHT THAT THESE TWO PERSONS WERE SHAM ICCS MEMBERS AND HELD THEM FOR INVESTIGATION". CANDEL MAINTAINS OFFICERS WERE MERELY TOURING AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY WHEN THEY WERE SEIZED. GAUVIN HAS ASKED ICCS TO SUSPEND ALL ROUTINE BUSINESS UNTIL BOTH ARE RETURNED. (WP, NYT, PHINQ, CHITRIB, SUN).

9. GWERTZMAN (NYT) REPORTS US MAY PROPOSE CUT IN ICCS TO TWO MEMBERS BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTY OF FINDING REPLACEMENT FOR CANADA. US WOULD PREFER FOUR MEMBERS, BUT FEW COUNTRIES CAN PROVIDE EXPERIENCED 290 MAN DELEGATIONS; COUNTRIES THAT HAVE BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION INCLUDE NORWAY, BRAZIL, MEXICO, AND MALAYSIA. NOTES CANADA WITHDRAWING BECAUSE CEASE-UNCLASSIFIED

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FIRE OBSERVERS WERE NOT BEING PERMITTED TO DO THEIR JOB PROPERLY.

10. GVN DENIES CHARGE BY OPPOSITION PRIEST THAT &4 POLITICAL PRISONERS DIED OF TORTURE ON CON SON ISLAND BETWEEN APRIL4 AND MAY 6, AND THAT MORE THAN 500 WERE INJURED. THE PRIEST, REV. CHAN TIN, APPEALING SENTENCE OF UP TO THREE YEARS IN PRISON FOR ARTICLES CRITICIZING GVN (PHINQ).

11. SHIPLER (NYT) REPORTS THAT SINCE CEASE-FIRE INDUSTRIALISTS AND INVESTORS HAVE SWARMED INTO SVN FROM US, JAPAN, HONG KONG, AUSTRALIA, AND FRANCE TO INVESTIGATE PROSPECTS. GVN IS PUSHING HARD TO ATTRACT INVESTMENT WITH INCENTIVES SUCH AS 5 YEAR TAX HOLIDAY, BUT BUSINESSMEN HOLDING OFF HARD FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS BECAUSE OF WARINESS ABOUT DANGER OF WARFARE AND POLITICAL UPHEAVAL. MOST DRAMATIC MOVE IS RECENT BIDDING FOR OIL DRILLING RIGHTS. A FEW SMALL FACTORIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN OPENED BY JAPANESE COMPANIES WORKING JOINTLY WITH VIETNAMESE CONCERNS, PRODUCING FOR DOMESTIC MARKET. SVN OFFICIALS DO NOT ENVISION CREATION OF INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY; MANY INSIST AGRICULTURE MUST REMAIN ECONOMIC BACKBONE, BUT INVESTMENT IS SEEN AS COMPLEMENTARY AND PERHAPS EVEN AS A CATALYST FOR FULL ECONOMIC RECOVERY. JAPAN IS ALSO CONSIDERING AID TO BOTH VIETNAMS AND MAY SOON ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH NVN.

12. HEALTH OFFICIALS REPORT OUTBREAK OF DENGUE HEMORRHAGIC FEVER IN SVN. 2000 CASES COUNTRYWIDE IN LAST TWO MONTHS, MOSTLY CHILDREN (AP, SAIGON; SUN).

CHINA

13. REUTER'S PRINGLE, IN PEKING, QUOTES DIPLOMATIC SOURCES AS SAYING NPC MEMBER AT PARTY TOLD FOREIGN ENVOY, TO EMBARRASSMENT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS NEARBY, THAT PRC PREPARING TO HOLD 10TH CONGRESS IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER TO APPROVE NEW CONSTITUTION AND ELECT NEW CENTRAL COMMITTEE
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AND POLITBURO, FOLLOWED LATER IN YEAR BY MEETING OF NPC.

14. PRC OFFICIALS MAKE CLEAR TO CODEL THAT THEY DO NOT INTEND OPENING CHINA TO VACATIONING AMERICANS; WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, WILL GIVE VISAS ONLY TO THOSE AMERICANS WITH SPECIAL SKILLS. REP. PETTIS (R-CALIF.) SAYS CHINA LACKS HOTEL FACILITIES AND LARGE NUMBERS OF INTERPRETERS REQUIRED TO HANDLE STEPPED-UP TOURISM. CHINESE SAY "TENS OF THOUSANDS" OF AMERICANS HAVE APPLIED FOR TOURIST VISAS SO FAR THIS YEAR.

PRC GRANTED ABOUT 100 TOURIST VISAS TO AMERICANS IN 1971 AND ABOUT 200 IN 1972, PETTIS SAYS. SEN. MAGNUSON FEELS INCREASED SINO-US TRADE WILL ONLY FOLLOW RESOLUTION OF 2 PROBLEMS: MFN TREATMENT FOR CHINA AND "SOME SORT OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR CREDITS OR INSTALLMENT BUYING" BY CHINESE (WP).

15. WU SHU-JEN, WHO WAS ONCE MAO BODYGUARD AND SWAM TO HK IN A969, TO TESTIFY BEFORE HOUSE INTERNAL SECURITY COMMITTEE TODAY ABOUT ALLEGED HEROIN TRAFFICKING IN CHINA. WAS ASKED TO APPEAR BECAUSE COMMITTEE IS EXAMINING NUMBER OF COMMUNIST GROUPS IN US "WHICH FOLLOW THE IDEOLOGY OF COMMUNIST CHINA AND THAT COUNTRY'S LEADER, MAO" (UPI, WP).

16. COMPLETING SECOND WEEK OF 6-WEEK US TOUR, 6-MAN PRC SCIENTIFIC DELEGATION VISITS LABORATORIES AND INSECT-COLLECTING EXPERIMENT, AND PICNICS IN PARK DURING SYRACUSE (NY) STOP (AP, NYT).

17. LATEST STATISTICS SHOW NUMBER OF REFUGEES STREAMING INTO HK FROM CHINA MORE THAN DOUBLED SO FAR THIS YEAR. FIGURE FOR FIRST HALF OF YEAR IS 2,016 (AFP, WP).

18. POST CARRIES PHOTO OF HUANG CHEN AND WIFE AT FAREWELL LUNCH THEY GAVE FOR USHIBAS AT YENCHING PALACE.

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JAPAN

19. LDP MAKES UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG SHOWING IN TOKYO METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY ELECTION, CAPTURING 51 OF 125 SEATS AVAILABLE; COMMUNISTS UP FROM 18 TO 24 SEATS, OTHER PARTIES SHOW LITTLE CHANGE. WP'S OBERDORFER, IN TOKYO, SUGGESTS THAT PERHAPS PRINCIPAL RESULT OF ELECTION, IN AT LEAST SHORT RUN, "WILL BE TO EASE THE RECENTLY GROWING SENSE OF CRISIS SURROUNDING TANAKA" AND LDP. BUT UNLESS PM CAN DEAL SUCCESSFULLY WITH INFLATION, POLLUTION AND OTHER FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS IN PUBLIC EYE, POLITICAL MOOD OF "ANTIPATHY AND DESPAIR IS LIKELY TO RETURN" WITHIN FEW MONTHS. (UPI, NYDN; NYT, TRUMBULL; SUN, PEPPER; PHINQ).KKK

FRANCE'S S. PACIFIC A-TESTS

20. GOF GIVES FINAL WARNING TO AIRCRAFT AND SHIPPING TO STEER CLEAR OF ITS NUCLEAR TEST CENTER AND SENDS WARSHIPS TO CHASE PROTEST VESSELS FROM NEARBY INTERNATIONAL WATERS. TIMING OF NOTICE TO CIVIL AIRLINES INDICATES TESTS COULD BEGIN FRIDAY (AP NYDN, CHITRIB). SUN'S PULLAN, IN PARIS, OBSERVES THAT GOF "LET IT BE KNOWN THAT IT WAS DELIGHTED TO HEAR" THAT KIRK SAID THERE WOULD BE "NO CONFRONTATION AT SEA" BETWEEN FRIGATE OTAGO AND FRENCH CRAFT.

KOREA

21. SK NAMES PARK KUN MINISTER TO US (AP, WP).

NEW ZEALAND

22. FINANCE MINISTER ANNOUNCES NZ HAS REVALUED HER DOLLAR UPWARD BY 3 AND SEVERED LINK WITH US DOLLAR (REUTER, NYT).

PHILIPPINES

23. TWO FORMER SENATORS, FOES OF MARCOS, DETAINED
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SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER, BUT NOT FORMALLY CHARGED WITH ANY CRIME, APPEAL TO PHIL SUPREME COURT FOR RELEASE (NYT).

SAMOA

24. US CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION CHARGES SAMOA GOV. HAYDON WITH VIOLATING HATCH ACT BY INTERFERING WITH LOCAL ELECTIONS IN ISLANDS LAST NOVEMBER (WP, MCBEE).

AUSTRALIA

25. IN PAST MONTH, HUNDREDS OF US WOMEN HAVE DELUGED AUSTRALIAN IMMIGRATION OFFICES IN US WITH INQUIRIES ABOUT FINDING HUSBAND IN AUSTRALIA, FOLLOWING PUBLICITY ACCORDED DR. JOHN SAUNDERS' INVITATION TO MATCH -- FOR A FEE -- US WOMEN WITH 160,000 AUSTRALIAN BACHELORS. AUSTRALIAN IMMIGRATION MINISTER GRASSBY IN SF SAYS EACH WOMAN WHO WROTE WILL GET LETTER EXPLAINING THAT ONLY AUSSIE OFFICIALS CAN OK IMMIGRATION (W).

ADDITIONAL KOREA ITEM:

26. ROK PLANS TO IMPORT PALM OIL AND OTHER EDIBLE VEGETABLE OILS FROM INDONESIA AND CANADA TO SUBSTITUTE FOR TALLOW, ON WHICH US HAS IMPOSED EXPORT CONTROLS (PHINQ).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

27. POST REGARDS SIHANOUK'S STATEMENT THAT IT'S "TOO LATE" TO NEGOTIATE WITH HAK AS AN OBVIOUS OPENING PLOY TO EXTRACT MORE GENEROUS TERMS. QUESTIONS EXTENT TO WHICH SIHANOUK CAN REALLY SPEAK FOR ALL KI. WITH END OF BOMBING NEAR, SITUATION IS BEING CREATED IN WHICH SUCH POLITICAL QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED BY EVENTS. CONSIDERS SECDEF. SCHLESINGER'S "MISGIVINGS" ABOUT CAPACITY OF GKR TO SURVIVE WITHOUT BOMBING AS POSSIBLY UNCLASSIFIED

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AN "ACCURATE ANALYSIS." BUT WHETHER GKR CAN OR CANNOT SURVIVE ON ITS OWN IS IRRELEVANT, SINCE US HAS NO OBLIGATION TO DEFEND CAMBODIA AND NO COMMITMENT TO PROP UP LON NOL OR ANY OTHER ENTITY. COMMENTS THAT SCHLESINGER'S INDICATION THAT THE PRESIDENT MIGHT ASK FOR AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE BOMBING AFTER AUG. 15 CAN ONLY STRENGTHEN LON NOL'S ALREADY STRONG RELUCTANCE TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY AND IS A CYNICAL GESTURE DESERVING TO BE INTERPRETED AS AN EFFORT TO TRANSFER TO CONGRESS RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHAT MAY UNFOLD IN CAMBODIA AFTER AUG. 15.

28. LAT'S GEORGE MCARTHUR (JULY 8) IN SAIGON REPORTS RESPECTED MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC FRATERNITY SEEING DIM OUTLINES OF INDOCHINA PEACE WHICH ALSO LOOKS OMINOUSLY

LIKE THE LAUNCHING PLATFORM FOR A NEW WAR. DISCOUNTING AN ALMOST INFINITE NUMBER OF "IFS," SAYS WESTERN EXPERTS SKETCH A SITUATION BASED ON UNEASY COEXISTENCE IN SVN, COALITION AND CONTINUED NVN PRESENCE IN MUCH OF LAOS AND A LEFT-LEANING, TACITLY PARTITIONED CAMBODIA WITH VIETNAMESE SANCTUARIES.

29. LONDON OBSERVER'S MARK FRANKLAND (LAT, JULY 8) EXPRESSES VIEW THAT GKR CANNOT SURVIVE FOR LONG UNLESS IT WINS BACK THE TRUST OF ITS RULING CLASS. RELATES BRIEF STORY OF DISILLUSIONMENT OF THREE MEMBERS OF RULING CLASS - TEACHER, BUSINESSMAN AND MONK - THAT FOLLOWED THE INITIAL EXCITEMENT OF SIHANOUK'S OVERTHROW IN MARCH 1970.

30. LAT'S ELEGANT (JULY 7) IN HONG KONG REPORTS INITIAL SHOCK FELT BY WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS UPON HEARING OF SIHANOUK'S ABRUPT REVERSAL OF HIS PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE DIRECTLY WITH HAK. AFTER REFLECTION, HOWEVER, SOURCES CONCLUDED THAT SIHANOUK WAS PLAYING HIS HAND FOR ALL IT WAS WORTH - AND THAT HE WAS LIKELY TO CHANGE HIS MIND, AS HE HAS SO FREQUENTLY. THEY FEEL THAT SIHANOUK OVERESTIMATED THE STRENGTH OF HIS UNDENIABLY VERY STRONG POSITION AFTER THE WH COMPROMISE ON THE AUG. 15 CAMBODIA BOMBING CUTOFF DATE, POINTING OUT THAT THE REAL ISSUE REMAINS SINO-US AND SOVIET-US RELATIONS. THESE SOURCES SAY SIHANOUK ALREADY HAD BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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BRIEFED THOROUGHLY ON PEKING'S ATTITUDE DURING A LAYOVER IN SINKIANG WHERE HE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT THE CHINESE WOULD NOT "TWIST HIS ARM," AND WAS GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND THAT CHINA WAS INTERESTED IN COMPROMISE THAT WOULD COOL TENSIONS IN INDOCHINA AND ADVANCE SINO-US FRIENDSHIP. SOURCES CONCLUDE THAT DESPITE HIS BRAVURA PERFORMANCE, SIHANOUK STILL HAS LITTLE ROOM FOR MANEUVER IF HE WISHES TO REINSTATE HIMSELF IN PP.

31. FROM CAMAU, S-N'S ARBUCKLE (JULY 9) REPORTS THAT VC IS PRACTICING TERRORISM AGAIN IN AN XUYEN WHERE VC MOVEMENT BEGAN AND FIRST TERRORIST KILLINGS TOOK PLACE. CITES PROVINCE CHIEF AS SAYING NOT MUCH CAN BE DONE ABOUT VC ACTIVITIES. THERE ARE 6,000 VC IN THE PROVINCE, HE HAS ONLY 10,000 TROOPS AT HIS DISPOSAL, AND THREE VC CAN HOLD OFF ONE OF HIS COMPANIES FOR HOURS. HE SEES VC TERRORISM AS A MOVE TO ERODE RVN POSITION IN THE DELTA AND GAIN CONTROL OF THE POPULATION, AND RELATES HOW THE VC ATTEMPT TO GAIN AN ECONOMIC STRANGLEHOLD ON DELTA VILLAGES.

32. GLOBE (JULY 7) REFERS TO CHOU'S ANGRY REACTION TO US CODEL SUGGESTION THAT HE "AND CAMBODIA SHOULD BE PATIENT" WITH US BOMBING BECAUSE OF THE AUG. 15 CUTOFF DATE.

THUS, TO ALL APPEARANCES, ADMINISTRATION HOPES THAT PEKING MIGHT HELP THE PRES. TO SAVE FACE IN CAMBODIA FELL WITH THE SPEED OF US BOMBS FALLING ON CAMBODIA. "THEY ARE FALLING IN SUCH FURY NOW....THEIR RUMBLE ALMOST BLOTTING OUT THURSDAY'S STRATEGY TALKS" BETWEEN LONG BORET, AMBASSADOR SWANK AND OTHERS. MEANWHILE SCHLESINGER'S CASUAL SUGGESTION AT FIRST PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE PRES. MAY NOT BE READY TO CALL OFF THE ILLEGAL WAR AFTER AUG. 15 HAS ADDED FUEL TO CONGRESSIONAL FIRES.

33. CDN (JULY 6) REMARKS THAT THE OBJECT OF HUANG CHEN'S DEFERENTIAL TREATMENT AND HAK-S PROJECTED TRIP TO PEKING "IS A SETTLEMENT IN CAMBODIA THAT THE UNITED STATES ON ITS OWN CANNOT ARRANGE." EXPRESSES VIEW THAT PRC INTEREST IN PROMOTING FRIENDSHIP WITH THE US APPEARS TO BE A SLENDER TWIG TO GRASP IN TRYING TO BRING A QUICK SETTLEMENT; BUT IT'S ABOUT ALL THAT'S LEFT.
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BECAUSE OF THE AUG. 15 CUTOFF DATE, HAK IS ON NOTICE THIS TIME THAT IF NEGOTIATING DOESN'T WORK, THERE CAN BE NO FALL-BACK TO FORCE. WHATEVER IS GOING TO HAPPEN IN

CAMBODIA WILL JUST HAVE TO HAPPEN, WITHOUT INTERFERENCE BY US BOMBS.

34. DRAWING ON DIALOGUE TAPED IN SHANGHAI BETWEEN AMERICAN THEATRE PERSONALITIES AND THEIR CHINESE COUNTER-PARTS, ACTOR-DIRECTOR HOWARD DA SILVA LEARNS WHY CHINA'S THEATRICAL OUTPUT IS "BORINGLY STYLIZED" WITH MILITARY THEMES, CLEARCUT HEROES AND VILLAINS (GLOBE, JULY 8). CITES FILM BUREAU MEMBERS AS SAYING (IN DIALOGUE TOO LENGTHY TO SUMMARIZE WELL): "...WE ARE FOLLOWING THE PRINCIPLE WE CALL THE THREE PROMINENCES. ONE: WE SHOULD GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE POSITIVE CHARACTERS IN A PLAY. TWO: WE SHOULD GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE HEROIC CHARACTERS FROM AMONG THE POSITIVE CHARACTERS. THREE: WE SHOULD GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE MOST HEROIC OF THE HEROIC CHARACTERS, THE HERO OR HEROINE. THE MAIN PRINCIPLE OF SOCIALIST CREATIVITY IS TO EDUCATE THE PEOPLE, TO EDUCATE THEM WITH COMMUNIST THINKING. WITH THIS AIM IN MIND, WHY SHOULD YOU DESCRIBE PETTY STRUGGLES AMONG THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES? TO GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE HEROIC IMAGE, THIS IS THE MODEL, THIS IS THE AIM. WE LEARN FROM THE MODEL. THROUGH THE MODEL WE EDUCATE THE COMMUNIST IDEAS."

35. PROF. EZRA VOGEL (GLOBE, JULY 8) IN SHANGHAI SEES EVIDENCES OF INCREASED MECHANIZATION IN LOWER YANGTZE RIVER AGRICULTURAL COMMUNES. WONDERS WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN COMMUNES ARE MUCH MORE THOROUGHLY MECHANIZED AND WHEN HANDICRAFT SHOPS, WHICH ABSORB SURPLUS LABOR, ADOPT MODERN MASS PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES.

36. NYT'S HARRY SCHWARTZ CALLS ATTENTION TO TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF SINO-SOVIET BREAK AROUND WHICH "ALL CURRENT CALCULATIONS OF GLOBAL POLITICS NOW REVOLVE." NOTES THAT BOTH COMMUNIST GIANTS HAVE HAD TO CHANGE THEIR THINKING IN MANY RESPECTS IN ORDER TO COME TO POSITIONS THEY NOW HOLD. IN 1963, KHRUSHCHEV STILL THOUGHT THE USSR WAS GOING TO DEFEAT THE US ECONOMICALLY BY 1970, UNCLASSIFIED

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THUS MAKE POSSIBLE A PEACEFUL TRANSITION TO WORLD COMMUNISM. IT WOULD HAVE SEEMED INCREDIBLE TO HIM THAT IN 1973 THE SOVIET PEOPLE WOULD HAVE ENOUGH BREAD ONLY BY MASSIVE GRAIN PURCHASES FROM THE US OR THAT HIS SUCCESSORS WOULD BE BEGGING US BUSINESS TO INVEST BILLIONS FOR SIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT. AND KHRUSHCHEV RECOILED FROM PEKING'S BELIEF THAT THE US WAS A "PAPER TIGER." CHINESE ALSO LABORED UNDER ILLUSION THAT A FAVORABLE REVOLUTIONARY SITUATION EXISTED IN ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA WHICH THEY ASPIRED TO LEAD, AND REJECTED ANY IDEA OF RECONCILIATION WITH WASHINGTON. THERE WERE

PLENTY OF WASHINGTON MISCALCULATIONS ALSO; THEY HELPED BRING ON MASSIVE US INTERVENTION IN VN. FEW AMERICANS IN 1963 APPRECIATED THE REAL DEPTH, IMPORTANCE AND PERMANENCE OF THE SINO-SOVIET CONFLICT. ALL THREE SUPERPOWERS ARE WISER TODAY. IDEOLOGY HAS BEEN DOWN-GRADED IN THE SINO-SOVIET CONFLICT, AND WHEN CHOU SPEAKS TO VISITORS ABOUT MOSCOW, IT IS IN TERMS OF THE SOVIET MILITARY THREAT TO CHINA, NOT MOSCOW'S DEVIATION FROM MARXISM-LENINISM. AND THOUGH BREZHNEV RECEIVED CPUSA LEADERS WHILE IN WASHINGTON, IT IS THE GOODWILL OF THE DAVID ROCKEFELLERS THAT HE REALLY NEEDS AND WANTS.

37. POST'S OBERDORFER IN SEOUL SEES UNCURK GETTING READY TO FOLD. PARK HAS PASSED WORD THAT ROK WILL MAKE NO SERIOUS EFFORT TO FIGHT FOR ITS CONTINUATION AT UNGA AND SOME PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES BELIEVE THAT UNCURK SHOULD VOTE ITSELF OUT OF EXISTENCE BEFORE THE STRUGGLE BEGINS. RECOUNTING INSTANCES IN WHICH UNCURK APPEARS TO HAVE FALLEN SHORT OF FULFILLING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES AS UN "WATCHDOG COMMITTEE," OBERDORFER NOTES THAT IN RECENT WEEKS ROK OFFICIALS HAVE REPEATEDLY DRAWN A DISTINCTION BETWEEN UNCURK AND THE UN MILITARY COMMAND, ARGUING THAT UNCURK'S ABOLITION WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON CONTINUATION OF THE UN MILITARY PRESENCE. OBERDORFER COMMENTS THAT EVEN IF UN FLAG COMES DOWN, US TROOPS COULD REMAIN UNDER THE US-ROK SECURITY TREATY. BUT UN PRESENCE IS CONSIDERED USEFUL FOR INTERNATIONAL REASONS, AND AS ARGUMENT TO US CONGRESS THAT 40,000 US TROOPS SHOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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